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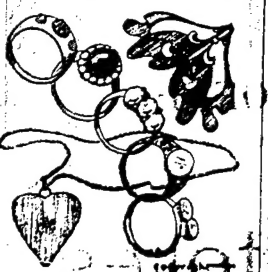
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THE RICHEST FIND IN CANADA

Report of an Exceedingly Rich Pay Zone Comes From the Big Master mine. The ore is Expected to mill at least \$7,000 per ton.

The richest gold strike in Canada is said to have been made a few days ago at the Big Master mine, which it is reported is bound to attract continental attention as soon as the news of it spreads. An exceedingly rich pay shoot four and a half feet wide, was struck in one of the drifts. The ore is heavily impregnated with free gold, which glitters under the miners' candles, and will mill at the very least estimated value of \$7,000 per ton. A Winnipeg despatch says that this is no exaggeration. One large piece of ore, weighing in the neighborhood of eight hundred pounds, which was brought to the surface, is valued at \$5,000. This piece of ore is now in the company's office at Gold, Rock, where it may be examined by any person who desires to see it. It is claimed by competent mining men that at least a half a million dollars worth of gold is in sight in this rich clute. This is in the same vein as that on the

Little Master, which is being developed by the joint parties. The last before striking the rich clute in the Big Master, gold was cleaned on the plates of the ten-stamp mill at the rate of eighteen hundred dollars per day. It is stated that the recent strike is the richest in the history of gold mining in Canada. The Big Master is owned by people in Warren, Pa. and Buffalo. It has more than paid expenses of development already. A short time ago the Sulphur Lake Gold Mining Co., with head office at Detroit, amalgamated with the Provincial and Imperial Mining Co., of which H. A. F. McLaren is president. The development work so far done by the amalgamated company proves beyond a doubt that they are on the same vein as the Big Master, which is located near by, and have one just as rich. It will surprise a great many people to learn that there are one thousand men working underground in the gold mines of the Lake Manitoba district, and that the precious metal is being produced out by the millions in quantities that are paying a handsome profit to those capitalists who have put faith and money in the country. The mines are being worked

Cleanings from stamp mill Plates of Refined Gold Amounting to \$1,800 a Day. Lucky United States Capitalists.

principally by United States parties, who are buying up claims as fast as they can acquire them. Mr. Arch Campbell, formerly the mayor of this town, has already purchased the well-known Noonan group of properties, comprising five locations in the vicinity of the Big Master mine. They will be developed immediately. Mr. J. M. Sweeney, who lately purchased H. P. 405, adjoining the Big Master, is pushing development work ahead rapidly, and is highly pleased with the quality of ore that is being taken out. Mr. Sweeney was among the skeptics until he saw the Big Master, but now he is at a loss to understand how such a gold-producing region could have been so long overlooked. United States capital is coming in freely, as the verdict has gone abroad that this is the rich free gold mining district of the Dominion. Every camp is said to be alive with men.

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Showing an Excellent Quality of Ore, Much Surface Work Done.

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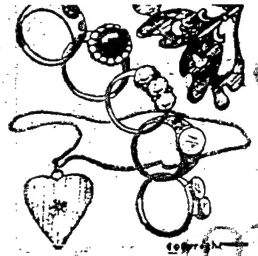
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LONDON—The Marquis of Anglesey, whose lad for jewelry and pantomime acting and his other tag-aries are well-known, has now developed a delicate artistism along another line. He is an enthusiastic automobilist, and the fastest and most reckless of drivers in the United Kingdom. He has been fined several times in the police court, on this account. But there is one reproach that cannot be levelled at him. It does not leave behind an evil smell as others, but the perfume of violets or other flowers.

THE LITTLE MASTER.

Showing an Excellent Quality of Ore, Much Surface Work Done.
 The Manitowish is making itself heard these days. What with the phenomena of the big Master, the very satisfactory showings of a certain "Satan's Rock" mine, and the various properties and others. We were, in the Lake of the Woods, where the chances of it, we don't want to take second place in the mining business of the district. The same Master, for instance, has a shaft down nearly 100 feet, and has done a lot of surface work. Unless reports are greatly exaggerated the Little Master has ore, and lots of it, of a quality equally as good as that of its big brother. This property has a regular gridiron of veins, the surface showings of which would warrant a shaft being sunk on any of them. Mr. Hadstead, however, is making haste, slowly and wisely, and mistakes are made it will not be from want of care and attention. On this part, at this season, one of the most important functions pertaining to a mine manager is the getting in of supplies for the winter work, and particularly for the "between" months, that dangerous period following the stopping of summer travel and before Jack Frost has laid his seal upon nature, snow, rain, and lake, making them solid and reliable.

UNITED STATES MINING CO.
 Mr. Shores who has been connected with the United States Mining Co. from the beginning, has been absent from the property on Sturgeon Lake for several months, during which time he has been in the east, attending to the company's business.
 He has now returned to Ignace and is sending in supplies and plant. It is too bad the transportation question is such a hard one. Getting supplies into Sturgeon Lake District is a difficult problem, but this will be largely remedied next summer, as the will be a good deal of work going on there and the transport will be improved so as to save at least two days in getting in.

PUT TO WORK.
 Oshre River, Man., Nov. 10.—Several parties of Doukhobors have passed through here recently on their way to Swan River. The majority of them being deserters from the ranks of the "pilgrims." Yesterday a truck applied to the foreman of the R. construction outfit to work. The foreman was suspicious and asked them if they really desired to work, or were merely looking for transportation nearer home, so that they could desert later on, and thus save the long tramp through the cold and snow.
 "We do not look for Jesus," the reply. "We want work to keep our cows and our land." "Well, then, more loaf, weather too cold," the foreman given a job and sent them to Erwood.
 The impression here is that the measures adopted by the Dominion Government are totally inadequate to cope with such a grave situation. For generations the Doukhobors have been brought up in the shadow of the knout, and they cannot appreciate the present method of treatment.

Telegraphic Taps.

SEATTLE—The strike in the printing trades was settled amicably this morning.
HALIFAX—The Hamburg liner has brought to Halifax a large batch of immigrants for the west.
BRAMPTON—The Irving Co. of Brampton, Ont. placed two bids of about 100,000 for the road and they were not taken to the point of the town at 20,000 a cord.
CONNECTICUT—They men have the matrimonial record of Lord P. Penney, who lives just over the line in Connecticut. He has just married his 14th wife. He has survived the other twelve.
NEW YORK—Four hundred and twelve street sweepers of New York are now on the sick list with "bronchitis" or consumption from inhaling the germs.
DESPATCH—The Grand Trunk Railway is now believed to be under the application made to build an extensive system of railways in Manitoba.
OTTAWA—Mrs. Pope, of Ottawa, one of the nursing sisters who went to South Africa with the first contingent, has been decorated with the Royal Red Cross.

WINNIPEG—From a recent letter received in Winnipeg, by the Very Rev. Dean Matheson, it is learned that the Archbishop of Rupert's Land has much recovered his health. He is now able to drive out.

FORT WILLIAM—The grain inspectors of Fort William are kept very busy these days having inspected no less than 250 cars on Thursday last.
TORONTO—John Irvine, the well-known writer of verse, is Scotch dead. He was born in Glasgow in 1816 and for many years has been a member of the printing firm of Irvine & Graham.

NEW YORK—Rev. Father Bouillon, of Ottawa, has designed a new church for New York. To seat between 60,000 and 70,000. It will be the largest in the world.
ANTWERP—There have been very large purchases of diamonds at Antwerp during the past week for Russia and the United States. Values are increasing, and a boom in the diamond market is expected.

WINNIPEG—The following message has been received from Canton, S. D., addressed to the Doukhobors: "I am here at the gate. Be comforted. (S. v. The Son of Man)." The message was turned over to the immigration official.

GUELPH—James McLaren, driver for the Canadian Express Company, was suffocated by gas in the cab last night. He was found this morning by his brother-in-law, Geo. Olsen, who is clerk for the company. The doctor said the man had been dead several hours.

COUPLE CREEK—A west-bound freight, ran into a side-tracked east-bound freight here. Both locomotives were badly damaged and cars smashed. Engineer Briens was seriously injured. Sleet and frost on the cab window prevented the engineer from seeing plainly.

LINE BODY OF QUARTZ.

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 Mr. H. L. Gibbs, of Traverse City, Mich., has spent the last two months at the Gold Reefs, putting all in order for the winter work before returning to his home.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

J. C. MARTIN, A RANCHER, MEETS UNTIMELY END.
 Maple Creek, N. W. T., Nov. 11.—J. C. Martin, rancher, accidentally shot and killed himself yesterday. He and a friend were at work erecting a quack on a ranch. They noticed a flock of swans flying by, and decided to go to get his rifle, which was standing against a pole, and in pulling it over, the trigger caught in some part of it, discharging its contents into Martin's body. An attendant was held, and a verdict of accidental death given.

SPECKLED TROUT.

Last week a number of speckled trout were put in the Winnipeg River. These magnificent fish are specially selected by the government officials whose duty it is to see to the shipment of fish for breeding purposes. The Board of Trade has had the matter in hand for some time, and the government intends sending shipments of trout and black bass whenever circumstances allow, so that, in time, our local rivers and lakes will become a fisherman's paradise. Many of the trout put into the Winnipeg River have been weighed over three pounds. The Winnipeg River with its rapids and falls should be ideal water for the speckled trout.

Commissioner Henswill is in heavy trouble to-day chiefly on account of the citizens who largely depend upon his exertions to keep the town's water supply flowing. The weakest point in our water supply system is at the creek, and it is there that Mr. Henswill and his men are trying to remedy the trouble. The break is so serious and the difficulties of getting at the pipes so great, it may be some days before the trouble can be overcome. Citizens need not feel surprised at the continued absence of their water supply. Whatever can be done is being done as rapidly as possible and in the meantime we must make the best of a bad job.

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

An Unimportant Meeting Held Last Night. Ald. Horswill acting Mayor.

At the meeting of the town council last evening, Ald. Horswill was appointed acting mayor in the absence of Mayor Cameron.
 Upon motion of Ald. J. A. Hudson and W. McCarthy the resignation of Ald. C. W. Chadwick, in accepting the resignation the council wished to place on record their appreciation of Mr. Chadwick's progressive views and independent spirit which in all cases has been exercised for the general welfare of the town.
 A number of communications were received and filed.
 It was moved by Geo. Foster seconded by J. A. Hudson, that the works committee be authorized to put in winter service as petitioned for by P. Archdeacon and others. Carried.
 Upon motion of W. McCarthy seconded by Geo. Foster, the council as a committee of the whole was appointed to meet Mr. Chadwick and associates re electric railway project to Lac Seul.
 The Mayor and treasurer, upon motion of W. McCarthy and Geo. Foster, were instructed to issue checks in favor of Thos. Shanderson for the sum of \$10.50.
 The communications of Boyce and Draper re Phillips were referred to the town solicitor with the request that he inquire into and report upon same.
 The solicitor, upon motion of Geo. Foster and J. A. Hudson, was instructed to draft an agreement with the C. P. R. Co. for a years water contract, on terms as suggested by Mr. Atkins. The mayor and clerk were authorized to execute same and forward to the C. P. R. Co.
 A report of the Works committee upon being read was received and adopted. The Finance committee's report was also adopted, and the various accounts ordered to be paid.
 Council then adjourned.